

December 1, 2022

National FOIA Office  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW (2310A)  
Washington, DC 20460

Regional Freedom of Information Officer  
U.S. EPA, Region 2  
290 Broadway, 26<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, NY 10007

**Via FOIA Online**

Dear Regional FOIA Officer:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. 552, I am requesting documents likely held by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's ("EPA") Region 2 Office relating to the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority (PREPA) Transmission Center (TC), or substation, located southeast of Guánica, Puerto Rico, off of PR-333 at the end of Camino Ojo de Agua.

Specifically, I am interested in any documents that relate to the permitting, construction, and/or operation of the substation, and/or any records created or received by EPA regarding the facility. We are not seeking documentation that references PREPA facilities within EPA's records concerning the Ochoa Fertilizer Superfund Site.

Please provide responsive information as it becomes available on a rolling basis but is consistent with the prescribed timelines of the Freedom of Information Act. Please provide the requested records in electronic or paper form, whichever is more expedient. If this request must be forwarded to a different records custodian, we request that it be so forwarded as soon as possible.

Should you decide to invoke a FOIA exemption or withhold or redact any responsive records or parts thereof, we request that you: (1) identify each such record with specificity and/or date, author, recipient, and parties copied; (2) explain in full the basis for withholding responsive material; and (3) provide all segregable portions of the records for which you are claiming a specific exemption. Please correlate any redactions with specific exemptions under FOIA.

If you determine that portions of certain documents are exempt from production, the remainder of said documents should be produced nonetheless along with explanations justifying each exemption, including the specific FOIA provision justifying the exemption, 5 U.S.C. 552(b).

History Associates agrees to pay all reasonable and standard processing fees authorized by 5 U.S.C. 552(a)(4)(A) and the applicable regulations up to \$500. Should the fees exceed this amount, please call me with an estimate of the total costs in order that specific expenditures beyond \$500 can be authorized. Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this request, please contact me at (240) 514-0935 or via email to arebadow@historyassociates.com. Thank you for your attention to this request.

Sincerely,



Allison Rebadow